

2026-2027 Surgical Oncologists for Sustainability Committee Charge



Purpose

The Surgical Oncologists for Sustainability (SoS) Committee is tasked with inspiring, educating, and equipping surgical oncologists to advance environmental sustainability in their work and daily lives.

Responsibilities

- Advocate for and provide education to SSO members on health care sustainability, how carbon emissions affect patients and patient care, and promote sustainable practices.
- Reduce the carbon footprint of SSO and surgical oncology.

Composition/Appointments

- Chair: 2 years
- Vice Chair: 2 years
- Up to 15 members: 3 years
- Board Liaison: 1 year

New members will be appointed by the President-Elect during the Application for Engagement, taking a wide range of factors into account: diversity of gender, race, geographical location, program size, and skillset, among others. Vice Chairs are selected from among current members or those whose 2-year term is ending.

Eligibility	Time Commitment	Staff Liaison
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current voting SSO members with dues paid for 2026. • Commit to allocating time to effectively participate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple virtual meetings per year. • Additional hours per month to complete committee responsibilities. • Attend the Joint Committee Conference held at the SSO annual meeting. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Nick Sautter: NICHOLASSAUTTER@SURGONC.ORG</p>